



VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST
AGE-FRIENDLY ADVISORY AD-HOC COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, January 13, 2021 – 7:00 PM
Village Hall – 400 Park Avenue – River Forest, IL 60305
2nd Floor Conference Room

AGENDA

Physical attendance at this public meeting is limited to 10 individuals, with Committee members and staff having priority over members of the public. Public comments will be shared with the Committee. You may submit your public comments via email in advance of the meeting to: Sara Phyfer at sphyfer@vrf.us. You may listen to the meeting by participating in a Zoom conference call as follows, dial-in number: 312-626-6799 with meeting ID: 892 1708 0305 or by clicking here: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89217080305>. If you would like to speak during public comment, please email sphyfer@vrf.us by 5:00 PM on January 13, 2021. **THAT SAID, PLEASE NOTE THAT THE GOAL IS TO CONDUCT THE MEETING VIRTUALLY, SO ONLY COME TO VILLAGE HALL FOR THE MEETING IF YOU DO NOT HAVE THE CAPABILITY OF PARTICIPATING VIRTUALLY.**

1. Call to Order/Roll Call
2. Public Comment
3. Approval of Meeting Minutes
4. Committee Member Updates: Dementia Friendly River Forest (DFRF) and Age-Friendly Communities Collaborative (AFCC)
5. Old Business
 - a. Continued Discussion: Survey Next Steps
6. New Business
 - a. Discussion: Information Tiers Related to the Committee Survey
7. Next Meeting: February 10
8. Adjournment

**VILLAGE OF RIVER FOREST
AGE-FRIENDLY AD HOC COMMITTEE
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2020**

A special meeting of the Village of River Age Friendly Ad Hoc Committee was held on Tuesday, December 8, 2020 at 7:00 p.m. in the Second Floor Conference Room of Village Hall, 400 Park Avenue – River Forest, IL.

1. CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Upon roll call, the following persons were:

Present: Chairperson Respicio Vazquez (*arrived at 8:06pm*) Chris Hauri, Daniel Lauber, Deborah Frederick, Lydia Manning, Ron Sherman
Absent: James Flanagan
Also Present: Management Analyst Sara Phyfer

2. PUBLIC COMMENT

None.

3. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

Ms. Hauri made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sherman to approve the November 11, 2020 meeting minutes.

Roll call:

Ayes: Chris Hauri, Ron Sherman, Daniel Lauber, Deborah Frederick, Lydia Manning
Absent: James Flanagan, Chairperson Vazquez
Nays: None
Motion Passes.

4. COMMITTEE MEMBER UPDATES: DEMENTIA FRIENDLY RIVER FOREST AND AGE FRIENDLY COMMUNITIES COLLABORATIVE

Ms. Manning reported that the DFRF website, which is funded by the Concordia Center for Gerontology, is scheduled to go live in January. She stated the goal is to work with businesses and organizations and offer training so that people will know to look for the Dementia Friendly sticker as a place to go. She expressed hope that it would fold into age-friendly efforts.

Ms. Manning also reported that she attended the AFCC meeting, which covered surveys. She also noted the upcoming virtual Age-Friendly Summit in February.

5. OLD BUSINESS

None.

6. NEW BUSINESS

a. Discussion of Age-Friendly Oxford Plan

Ms. Manning reviewed her conversation with her contact, noting a lot of the survey content came from AARP. The Committee discussed the Oxford survey and there was an emphasis on ensuring to gear their own carefully worded survey towards River Forest and including questions that determine what is important to respondents and whether River Forest or surrounding communities offer it.

b. Discussion of Survey Next Steps

Upon discussion, the Committee reached a consensus to focus on moving forward with its work on a survey. The members determined its next steps would be for Ms. Manning to reach out to her contacts for more information and possibly a cost sheet on outside survey assistance. Ms. Hauri and Mr. Sherman volunteered to compile a list of objectives that the Committee would want to learn from its survey.

7. PRESENTATION FROM OPRF TOWNSHIP SENIOR SERVICES DIRECTOR PAMELA MAHN REGARDING OPRF HOME REPAIR PROGRAM PARTNERSHIP OPPORTUNITY

Ms. Mahn reviewed the program, which would be a partnership with the Village of Oak Park, the Oak Park and River Forest Townships, and the North West Housing Partnership for a senior handyperson service. She explained that the program would be administered by NWHP, cost to each organization is \$1,750, and would provide seniors a discounted rate and pre-approved handypeople for minor home repairs.

Mr. Sherman made a motion, seconded by Ms. Frederick, to recommend that the Village Board participate in the Intergovernmental Agreement for senior handyperson services.

Roll call:

Ayes: Chairperson Respicio Vazquez, Chris Hauri, Daniel Lauber, Deborah Frederick, Lydia Manning, Ron Sherman

Absent: James Flanagan

Nays: None

Motion Passes.

8. NEXT MEETING: JANUARY 13

The Committee reached a consensus to hold its next meeting on Wednesday, January 13 at 7PM.

9. ADJOURNMENT

Mr. Hauri made a motion, seconded by Mr. Sherman to adjourn the meeting at 8:19pm.

Roll call:

Ayes: Chairperson Respicio Vazquez, Chris Hauri, Daniel Lauber, Deborah Frederick,
Lydia Manning, Ron Sherman

Absent: James Flanagan

Nays: None

Motion Passes.

Sara Phyfer, Secretary

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Survey Recommendation

After reviewing several survey instruments used by other municipalities, our group decided we had to first decide: "What do we really want to know before designing our own survey."

One way to approach that question is to ask a follow-up: What areas of concern can the Village government actually address? Using that question as a sorting tool, we applied it to AARP's 8 Domains of Livability and included their Other Areas. The results are:

Tier 1: Areas Village Gov't. Can Address

- a) Outdoor Spaces and Buildings
- b) Communication and Information
- c) Public Safety
- d) Dementia Friendly
- e) Civic Participation and Engagement (Employment changed to engagement)
- f) Emergency Preparedness

Tier 2: Areas that Village Gov't Can Possibly Address

- a) Housing
- b) Transportation

Tier 3: Areas Village Gov't. Cannot Address

- a) Social Participation
- b) Health Services and Community Supports
- c) Respect and Social Inclusion
- d) Elder Abuse

Conclusion: Our survey should concern itself only with the items in Tier 1.